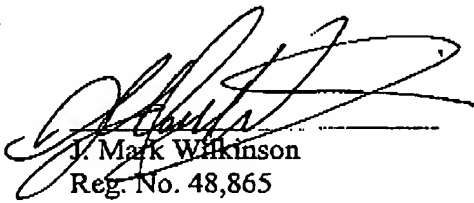
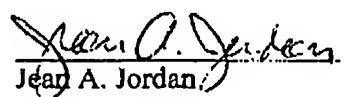


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Invention: Torch Connection Detection System and Method						
TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS:	33	MINUS	21	12	\$18.00	\$216.00
INDEP. CLAIMS:	5	MINUS	4	1	\$86.00	\$86.00
<p>_____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of _____ to and through _____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:</p> <p>_____ one month (\$110) _____ three months (\$930)</p> <p>_____ two months (\$410) _____ four months (\$1,450)</p>						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						
<p>_____ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.</p> <p>_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.</p> <p><u> X </u> A credit card authorization in the amount of \$ <u>302.00</u> is attached.</p> <p>_____ No additional fee is required.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;"> <u>9/1/04</u> Date </p> <p style="margin-left: 350px;">  J. Mark Wilkinson Reg. No. 48,865 </p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being transmitted by facsimile to Fax No.: 703-872-9306 address to the Patent and Trade Office.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">  Jean A. Jordan </p>						

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